

REMARKS

Reconsideration is respectfully requested, for the rejection of the claims as unpatentable over KATZ U.S. Published Application 2006/0269826.

The applied reference is the result of a National stage entry into the United States, of International Application PCT/IL2004/000199, filed after November 29, 2000. The WIPO publication designated the United States and was published in English.

Therefore, following the flow chart which is attached hereto, the U.S. application published has an effective 102(e) date as of the International filing date of the PCT, namely, March 2, 2004. It may even have an earlier filing date of March 3, 2003, provided that the provisional application discloses the invention of the International application in the manner provided by 35 USC 112, first paragraph.

But even if the cited reference has a reference date of March 3, 2003, that date is still subsequent to our Finnish priority date of June 28, 2002.

The verified English translation of the Finnish priority application, attached hereto, removes KATZ as a reference.

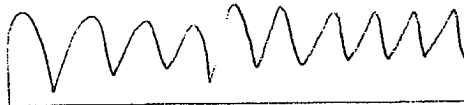
There being no other objection or rejection of record, it is to be assumed that the present application is now in

condition for allowance, and reconsideration and allowance are respectfully requested.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 25-0120 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17.

Respectfully submitted,

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APPENDIX:

- Verified translation of our Finnish priority application No.  
20021286, filed June 28, 2002.
- Flow chart.